

Town of North Reading
July, 2008 – June, 2009



Recycling



| Material | Examples | How to Prepare | Do Not Include |
|-----------------------------|---|--|--|
| Metal | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food/beverage cans• Can lids• Aluminum foil | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rinse clean and drain• Labels OK• Do not bag | <u>No</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scrap metal• Aerosol cans• Paint cans• Propane tanks |
| Glass | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bottles, jars• All colors/sizes• Food/beverage containers | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rinse clean and drain• Labels, lids OK• Do not bag | <u>No</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Light bulbs• Broken glass• Window or auto glass• Pyrex• Ceramics• Mirrors• Drinking glasses |
| Plastics | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All Plastics (#1 - #7) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rinse clean and drain• Do not bag | <u>No</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plastic wrap, bags• Styrofoam• Bottles used for hazardous materials (ex. Antifreeze, motor oil)• Unmarked plastics |
| Paper | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Newspapers w/ inserts• Magazines, catalogs• Office paper• Telephone books• Food boxes• Junk mail | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place in separate bin or brown paper bag• Containers must weigh less than 50 lbs. | <u>No</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plastic coated paper (e.g. milk & OJ cartons)• Plastics• Carbon paper• Tissues/napkins• Paper cups/plates |
| Corrugated Cardboard | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pizza boxes (clean)• Shipping boxes• Beverage cases | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must be flattened• No larger than 3 ft x 3 ft | <u>No</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Waxed boxes |

Place trash and recycling bins out by 6:30 a.m. on day of pick up.

Recyclable materials must be separated from trash.

Place recyclables curbside with trash.

Any questions, email the Recycling Committee
at recycle@northreadingma.gov or call 978-357-5260.

Solid Waste/Recycling Guidelines

- **Recycling Bins:** Additional recycling bins are available at Town Hall. Also, you may use a trash container for recycling glass, metal and plastics, as long as it is clearly marked with no cover. Use recycling bin, not trash barrel, for paper.
- **Containers/Weight Limit:** Maximum of four (4) 30-gallon containers or bags per week, not exceeding 50 pounds in weight each. Recycling bin(s) should accompany trash container(s).
- **Bulky Waste/Large Items:** Mattresses, sofas, etc. **Limit one per week.**
- **Awkward Items not in containers.** Must be cut into 4-foot lengths, tied or bundled at curb. Each bundle is considered one bulky item. No construction debris.
- **White Goods/Appliances:** Call JRM at 1-800-323-4285 to schedule a collection. A \$20 fee is charged for disposal.
- **TV & Computer Monitors:** Call JRM at 1-800-323-4285 to schedule a collection. No fee charged.
- **Hazardous Waste/Special Collection:** North Reading holds its Special Collection (fluorescent lamps, car batteries, propane tanks, scrap metal, tires) in late Spring and its Household Hazardous Waste Day in early Fall. Call the DPW for details.
- **Oil Collection:** Last Saturday of the month at the Spindler DPW Complex. Closed end of November until April.
- **Yard Waste:** The Compost Center is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Saturday in April until the last Saturday in November. Yard waste (grass, leaves; no brush) must be delivered loose or in biodegradable bags. No plastic bags.
- **Christmas Trees:** Picked up at the curb on trash day the first two full weeks after Christmas.
- **Reuse Options:** Available at www.northreadingma.gov and click on Recycling Information.

Holiday Trash and Recycling Schedule

When a holiday falls on a Monday or a Tuesday, collection of trash and recycling will be delayed until Wednesday. Monday and Tuesday holidays for FY2009 are as follows:

| Holiday Date | Holiday | Trash/Recycling Collection Date |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| September 1, 2008 | Labor Day | September 3, 2008 |
| October 13, 2008 | Columbus Day | October 15, 2008 |
| November 11, 2008 | Veterans Day | November 12, 2008 |
| January 19, 2009 | Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday | January 21, 2009 |
| February 16, 2009 | Presidents' Day | February 20, 2009 |
| April 20, 2009 | Patriots Day | April 22, 2009 |
| May 25, 2009 | Memorial Day | May 27, 2009 |

Household Hazardous Waste Day

Saturday, September 20, 2008 Spindler DPW Complex Chestnut Street

Missed Collection? Call JRM (1-800-323-4285) to report that your recycling bin or trash has not been picked up.